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AN ACT REVISING PREQUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR STATE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 4b-91 of the general statutes, as amended by
2 section 1 of public act 03-215, is repealed and the following is
3 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2004*):

4 (a) Every contract for the construction, reconstruction, alteration,
5 remodeling, repair or demolition of any public building for work by
6 the state, which is estimated to cost more than five hundred thousand
7 dollars, except (1) a contract awarded by the Commissioner of Public
8 Works for [(A) a community court project, as defined in subsection (j)
9 of section 4b-55, (B) the Connecticut Juvenile Training School project,
10 as defined in subsection (k) of section 4b-55, (C) the downtown
11 Hartford higher education center project, as defined in subsection (l) of
12 section 4b-55, (D) The University of Connecticut library project, as
13 defined in subsection (d) of section 4b-55, (E) a correctional facility
14 project, as defined in subsection (m) of section 4b-55, (F) a juvenile
15 detention center project, as defined in subsection (n) of section 4b-55,

16 or (G) a student residential facility for the Connecticut State University
17 system that is a priority higher education facility project, as defined in
18 subsection (f) of section 4b-55, or (2) a project, as defined in
19 subdivision (16) of section 10a-109c, undertaken and controlled by The
20 University of Connecticut in accordance with section 10a-109n,] the
21 purpose of avoiding forfeiture of federal funds, or (2) a contract
22 awarded by the Commissioner of Public Works for the purpose of the
23 state's compliance with any court order shall be awarded to the lowest
24 responsible and qualified general bidder who is prequalified pursuant
25 to section 3 of [this act] public act 03-215, as amended by this act on the
26 basis of competitive bids in accordance with the procedures set forth in
27 this chapter and subdivision (4) of section 4b-24, as amended, after the
28 Commissioner of Public Works or, in the case of a contract for the
29 construction of or work on a building under the supervision and
30 control of the Joint Committee on Legislative Management of the
31 General Assembly, the joint committee or, in the case of a contract for
32 the construction of or work on a building under the supervision and
33 control of one of the constituent units of the state system of higher
34 education, the constituent unit, has invited such bids by
35 advertisements inserted at least once in one or more newspapers
36 having a circulation in each county in the state. The Commissioner of
37 Public Works, the joint committee or the constituent unit, as the case
38 may be, shall indicate the prequalification classification and aggregate
39 work capacity rating required for the contract in such advertisement.
40 As used in this section, "prequalification classification" means the
41 prequalification classifications established by the Commissioner of
42 Administrative Services pursuant to section 3 of [this act] public act 03-
43 215, as amended by this act and "aggregate work capacity rating"
44 means the aggregate work capacity ratings established by the
45 Commissioner of Administrative Services pursuant to section 3 of [this
46 act] public act 03-215, as amended by this act.

47 (b) The Commissioner of Public Works, the joint committee or the
48 constituent unit, as the case may be, shall determine the manner of
49 submission and the conditions and requirements of such bids, and the

50 time within which the bids shall be submitted, consistent with the
51 provisions of sections 4b-91 to 4b-96, inclusive, as amended. Such
52 award shall be made within sixty days after the opening of such bids.
53 If the general bidder selected as the general contractor fails to perform
54 the general contractor's agreement to execute a contract in accordance
55 with the terms of the general contractor's general bid and furnish a
56 performance bond and also a labor and materials or payment bond to
57 the amount specified in the general bid form, an award shall be made
58 to the next lowest responsible and qualified general bidder. No
59 employee of the Department of Public Works, the joint committee or a
60 constituent unit with decision-making authority concerning the award
61 of a contract may communicate with any bidder prior to the award of
62 the contract if the communication results in the bidder receiving
63 information about the contract that is not available to other bidders,
64 except that if the lowest responsible and qualified bidder's price
65 submitted is in excess of funds available to make an award, the
66 Commissioner of Public Works, the Joint Committee on Legislative
67 Management or the constituent unit, as the case may be, may negotiate
68 with such bidder and award the contract on the basis of the funds
69 available, without change in the contract specifications, plans and
70 other requirements. If the award of a contract on said basis is refused
71 by such bidder, the Commissioner of Public Works, the Joint
72 Committee on Legislative Management or the constituent unit, as the
73 case may be, may negotiate with other contractors who submitted bids
74 in ascending order of bid prices without change in the contract,
75 specifications, plans and other requirements. In the event of
76 negotiation with general bidders as provided in this section, the
77 general bidder involved may negotiate with subcontractors on the
78 same basis, provided such general bidder shall negotiate only with
79 subcontractors named on such general bidder's general bid form.

80 (c) On and after October 1, 2004, no person may bid on a contract,
81 except for a project described in [subdivision (2)] subdivision (1) or (2)
82 of subsection (a) of this section, for the construction, reconstruction,
83 alteration, remodeling, repair or demolition of any public building for

84 work by the state or a municipality, which is estimated to cost more
85 than five hundred thousand dollars and is paid for, in whole or in part,
86 with state funds, unless the person is prequalified in accordance with
87 section 3 of [this act] public act 03-215, as amended by this act.

88 (d) On and after October 1, 2004, each bid submitted for a contract
89 described in subsection (c) of this section shall include a copy of a
90 prequalification statement issued by the Commissioner of
91 Administrative Services showing that the bidder has the
92 prequalification classification and aggregate work capacity ratings
93 required under such contract. The bid shall also be accompanied by an
94 update statement in such form as the Commissioner of Administrative
95 Services prescribes. The form for such update statement shall provide
96 space for information regarding all projects completed by the bidder
97 since the date the bidder's prequalification certificate was issued or
98 renewed, all projects the bidder currently has under contract,
99 including the percentage of work on such projects not completed, the
100 names and qualifications of the personnel who will have supervisory
101 responsibility for the performance of the contract, any significant
102 changes in the bidder's financial position or [business organization]
103 corporate structure since the date the certificate was issued or
104 renewed, and such other relevant information as the Commissioner of
105 Administrative Services prescribes. Any bid submitted without a copy
106 of the prequalification certificate and an update statement shall be
107 invalid.

108 (e) Any person who bids on a contract described in subsection (c) of
109 this section shall certify under penalty of false statement at the
110 conclusion of the bidding process that the information in the bid is
111 true, that there has been no substantial change in the bidder's financial
112 position or corporate structure since the bidder's most recent
113 prequalification certificate was issued or renewed, other than those
114 changes noted in the update statement, and that the bid was made
115 without fraud or collusion with any person.

116 (f) Any person who receives information from a public official that
117 is not available to the general public concerning any construction,
118 reconstruction, alteration, remodeling, repair or demolition project on
119 a public building prior to the date that an advertisement for bids on
120 the project is published shall be disqualified from bidding on the
121 project.

122 (g) Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter regarding
123 competitive bidding procedures, the commissioner may select and
124 interview at least three responsible and qualified general contractors
125 who are prequalified pursuant to section 3 of [this act] public act 03-
126 215, as amended by this act, and selected by the award panel
127 established in subdivision (4) of section 4b-24, as amended. The
128 commissioner may negotiate with any one of such contractors a
129 contract which is both fair and reasonable to the state for a
130 [community court project, as defined in subsection (j) of section 4b-55,
131 the downtown Hartford higher education center project, as defined in
132 subsection (l) of section 4b-55, The University of Connecticut library
133 project, as defined in subsection (d) of section 4b-55, the Connecticut
134 Juvenile Training School project, as defined in subsection (k) of section
135 4b-55, a correctional facility project, as defined in subsection (m) of
136 section 4b-55, a juvenile detention center project, as defined in
137 subsection (n) of section 4b-55, or a student residential facility for the
138 Connecticut State University system that is a priority higher education
139 facility project, as defined in subsection (f) of section 4b-55] a project
140 that is of such an emergency nature that an exception to the
141 competitive bidding procedures of this chapter is required. Any
142 general contractor awarded a contract pursuant to this subsection shall
143 be subject to the same requirements concerning the furnishing of
144 bonds as a contractor awarded a contract pursuant to subsection (b) of
145 this section. On and after October 1, 2004, any agency that seeks to
146 have a project awarded without being subject to competitive bidding
147 procedures shall certify to the joint committee of the General Assembly
148 having cognizance of matters relating to legislative management that
149 the project is of such an emergency nature that an exception to

150 competitive bidding procedures is required. Such certification shall
151 include input from all affected agencies, detail the need for the
152 exception and include any relevant documentation.

153 (h) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, on or before
154 January 1, 2005, any municipality serving as the awarding authority
155 for a contract described in subsection (c) of this section may request
156 that the Commissioner of Administrative Services authorize the
157 submission of bids for such contract without the requisite
158 prequalification certificates provided any contractor submitting a bid
159 for such contract has filed an application for prequalification prior to
160 such bid's submittal.

161 Sec. 2. Section 3 of public act 03-215 is repealed and the following is
162 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2004*):

163 (a) As used in this section: (1) "Prequalification" means
164 prequalification issued by the Commissioner of Administrative
165 Services to bid on a contract for the construction, reconstruction,
166 alteration, remodeling, repair or demolition of any public building for
167 work by the state or a municipality; (2) "subcontractor" means a person
168 who performs work with a value in excess of twenty-five thousand
169 dollars for a contractor pursuant to a contract for work for the state or
170 a municipality which is estimated to cost more than five hundred
171 thousand dollars; and (3) "principals and key personnel" includes
172 officers, directors, shareholders, members, partners and managerial
173 employees.

174 (b) (1) Any person may apply for prequalification to the Department
175 of Administrative Services. Such application shall be made on such
176 form as the Commissioner of Administrative Services prescribes and
177 shall be accompanied by a nonrefundable application fee as set forth in
178 subdivision (2) of this subsection. The application shall be signed
179 under penalty of false statement.

180 (2) The application fee shall be as follows:

T1	Aggregate Work Capacity Rating	Fee
T2	\$5,000,000.00 or less	\$600.00
T3	\$5,000,000.01 - \$8,000,000.00	\$750.00
T4	\$8,000,000.01 - \$10,000,000.00	\$850.00
T5	\$10,000,000.01 - \$15,000,000.00	\$1,000.00
T6	\$15,000,000.01 - \$20,000,000.00	\$1,500.00
T7	\$20,000,000.01 - \$40,000,000.00	\$2,000.00
T8	\$40,000,000.01 or more	\$2,500.00

181 (c) The application form shall, at a minimum, require the applicant
182 to supply information concerning:

183 (1) The applicant's form of organization;

184 (2) The applicant's principals and key personnel and any names
185 under which the applicant, principals or key personnel conducted
186 business during the past five years;

187 (3) The applicant's experience on public and private construction
188 projects over the past five years, or on the applicant's ten most
189 recently-completed projects and the names of any subcontractors used
190 on the projects;

191 (4) Any legal or administrative proceedings pending or concluded
192 adversely against the applicant or any of the applicant's principals or
193 key personnel within the past five years which relate to the
194 procurement or performance of any public or private construction
195 contract and whether the applicant is aware of any investigation

196 pending against the applicant or any principal or key personnel;

197 (5) The nature of any financial, personal or familial relationship
198 between the applicant and any public or private construction project
199 owner listed on the application as constituting construction experience;

200 (6) A statement of whether (A) the applicant has been disqualified
201 pursuant to section 4b-95, this section or section 31-57c or 31-57d, (B)
202 the applicant is on the list distributed by the Labor Commissioner
203 pursuant to section 31-57a, (C) the applicant is disqualified or
204 prohibited from being awarded a contract pursuant to section 31-57b,
205 (D) the applicant has been disqualified by another state, (E) the
206 applicant has been disqualified by a federal agency or pursuant to
207 federal law, (F) the applicant's registration has been suspended or
208 revoked by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Protection
209 pursuant to section 20-341gg, as amended, (G) the applicant has been
210 disqualified by a municipality, and (H) the matters that gave rise to
211 any such disqualification, suspension or revocation have been
212 eliminated or remedied; and

213 (7) Other information as the commissioner deems relevant to the
214 determination of the applicant's qualifications and responsibilities.

215 (d) The applicant shall include a statement of financial condition
216 prepared by a certified public accountant which includes information
217 concerning the applicant's assets and liabilities, plant and equipment,
218 bank and credit references, bonding company and maximum bonding
219 capacity, and other information as the commissioner deems relevant to
220 an evaluation of the applicant's financial capacity and responsibility.

221 (e) Information contained in the application shall be current as of
222 the time of filing except that the statement of financial condition shall
223 pertain to the applicant's most recently-completed fiscal year.

224 (f) The commissioner shall determine whether to prequalify an
225 applicant on the basis of the application and on relevant past

226 performance according to procedures and criteria set forth in
227 regulations which the commissioner shall adopt, in accordance with
228 chapter 54. Such criteria shall include, at a minimum, the record of the
229 applicant's performance, including, but not limited to, written
230 evaluations of the applicant's performance on public or private projects
231 within the past five years, the applicant's past experience on projects of
232 various size and type, the skill, ability and integrity of the applicant
233 and any subcontractors used by the applicant, the experience and
234 qualifications of supervisory personnel employed by the applicant, the
235 maximum amount of work the applicant is capable of undertaking as
236 demonstrated by the applicant's financial condition, bonding capacity,
237 size of past projects and present and anticipated work commitments,
238 and any other relevant criteria that the commissioner prescribes. Such
239 regulations shall also (1) provide that the criteria considered shall be
240 assigned separate designated numerical values and weights and that
241 the applicant shall be assigned an overall numerical rating on the basis
242 of all criteria, and (2) establish prequalification classifications and
243 aggregate work capacity ratings. Such prequalification classifications
244 shall be used to establish the types of work a contractor is qualified to
245 perform and the aggregate work capacity ratings shall be used to
246 establish the maximum amount of work a contractor is capable of
247 undertaking.

248 (g) (1) The applicant shall indicate the prequalification
249 classifications and aggregate work capacity rating that are sought. The
250 commissioner may issue a certificate of prequalification to any
251 applicant who meets the requirements of this section. Such certificate
252 shall be effective for one year from the date issued and shall indicate
253 the contractor's prequalification classifications and aggregate work
254 capacity ratings. The commissioner may cause the initial certificate of
255 prequalification to be effective for a period not to exceed two years and
256 may require the applicant to remit payment of the application fee, as
257 set forth in subsection (b) of this section, for the first twelve months of
258 certification as well as a prorated application fee, as described in
259 subdivision (3) of this subsection, for any additional period of

260 certification beyond the first twelve months.

261 (2) A prequalified contractor may apply at any time for additional
262 prequalification classifications or aggregate work capacity ratings by
263 submitting the applicable increase in fee, a completed update
264 statement, and other information the commissioner requires.

265 (3) The commissioner may renew a prequalification certificate upon
266 receipt of a completed update statement, any other material the
267 commissioner requires and a nonrefundable fee in an amount equal to
268 one-half of the application fee for the applicable aggregate work
269 capacity rating as set forth in subsection (b) of this section, except that
270 in no event shall such fee be less than six hundred dollars.

271 (h) Not later than sixty days after receiving a completed application,
272 the commissioner shall mail or send by electronic mail a notice to the
273 applicant concerning the commissioner's preliminary determination
274 regarding the conditions of the prequalification certification, a denial
275 of certification, a reduction in the level of certification sought or
276 nonrenewal of certification. Any applicant aggrieved by the
277 commissioner's preliminary determination may request copies of the
278 information upon which the commissioner relied in making the
279 preliminary determination, provided such request is made not later
280 than ten days after the date the notice was mailed [as indicated by the
281 postmark on the envelope] or sent by electronic mail to the applicant.
282 Not later than twenty days after [said postmark date] the date the
283 notice was mailed or sent by electronic mail, the applicant may submit
284 additional information to the commissioner with a request for
285 reconsideration. The commissioner shall issue a final determination
286 regarding the application not later than ninety days after the date the
287 commissioner mailed or sent by electronic mail the notice of the
288 preliminary determination, which ninety-day period may be extended
289 for an additional period not to exceed ninety days if (1) the
290 commissioner gives written notice to the applicant that the
291 commissioner requires additional time, and (2) such notice is mailed or

292 sent by electronic mail during the initial ninety-day period.

293 (i) The commissioner may not issue a prequalification certificate to
294 any contractor (1) who is disqualified pursuant to section 31-57c or 31-
295 57d, [or] (2) who has a principal or key personnel who, within the past
296 five years, has a conviction or has entered a plea of guilty or nolo
297 contendere for or has admitted to commission of an act or omission
298 that reasonably could have resulted in disqualification pursuant to any
299 provision of subdivisions (1) to (3), inclusive, of subsection (d) of
300 section 31-57c or subdivisions (1) to (3), inclusive, of subsection (d) of
301 section 31-57d, as determined by the commissioner, (3) who the
302 commissioner deems should not be prequalified based on the
303 application for prequalification or any relevant past performance as
304 measured by the procedures and criteria described in regulations
305 adopted by the commissioner pursuant to subsection (f) of this section,
306 or (4) who the commissioner determines should not be prequalified
307 based on a determination by the commissioner that such
308 prequalification would not serve the best interests of the state. Nothing
309 in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit the commissioner from
310 issuing a prequalification certificate to a contractor described in
311 subdivision (4) of this subsection, if, at a later point in time, the
312 commissioner determines that such prequalification would not
313 adversely affect the bests interests of the state.

314 (j) The commissioner may revoke a contractor's prequalification or
315 reduce the contractor's prequalification classification or aggregate
316 work capacity ratings, after an opportunity for a hearing, if the
317 commissioner receives additional information that supports such
318 revocation or reduction.

319 (k) (1) Any materially false statement in the application or any
320 update statement may, in the discretion of the awarding authority,
321 result in termination of any contract awarded the applicant by the
322 awarding authority. The awarding authority shall provide written
323 notice to the commissioner of such false statement not later than thirty

324 days after discovering such false statement. The commissioner shall
325 provide written notice of such false statement to the Commissioner of
326 Public Works and the Commissioner of Agriculture and Consumer
327 Protection not later than thirty days after discovering such false
328 statement or receiving such notice.

329 (2) The commissioner shall revoke the prequalification of any
330 person, after an opportunity for hearing, if the commissioner finds that
331 the person has included any materially false statement in such
332 application or update statement, has been convicted of a crime related
333 to the procurement or performance of any public or private
334 construction contract or within the past five years or has otherwise
335 engaged in fraud in obtaining or maintaining prequalification. Any
336 person whose prequalification has been revoked pursuant to this
337 subsection shall be disqualified for a period of two years after which
338 the person may reapply for prequalification, except that a person
339 whose prequalification has been revoked on the basis of conviction of a
340 crime or engaging in fraud shall be disqualified for a period of five
341 years after which the person may reapply for prequalification. The
342 commissioner shall not prequalify a person whose prequalification has
343 been revoked pursuant to this subdivision until the expiration of said
344 two or five-year disqualification period and the commissioner is
345 satisfied that the matters that gave rise to the revocation have been
346 eliminated or remedied.

347 (l) The commissioner shall provide written notice of any revocation,
348 disqualification, reduction in classification or capacity rating or
349 reinstated prequalification to the Commissioner of Public Works and
350 the Commissioner of Agriculture and Consumer Protection not later
351 than thirty days after any final determination.

352 (m) The provisions of this section and section 4 of [this act] public
353 act 03-215, as amended by this act, shall not apply to subcontractors.

354 (n) The commissioner shall establish an update statement for use by
355 bidders for purposes of renewing or upgrading a prequalification

356 certificate and for purposes of submitting a bid pursuant to section 4b-
357 91, as amended by this act.

358 (o) Any applicant aggrieved by the commissioner's final
359 determination concerning a preliminary determination, a denial of
360 certification, a reduction in prequalification classification or aggregate
361 work capacity rating or a revocation or nonrenewal of certification
362 may appeal to the Superior Court in accordance with section 4-183.

363 Sec. 3. Section 4 of public act 03-215 is repealed and the following is
364 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2004*):

365 (a) The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall adopt
366 regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, to establish a standard
367 contractor evaluation form. Such form shall include, at a minimum, the
368 following evaluation criteria: (1) Timeliness of performance; (2) quality
369 of performance; (3) cost containment, including, but not limited to, the
370 contractor's ability to work within the contract's allotted cost, the
371 accuracy of the contractor's billing, and the number and cause of
372 change orders and the manner in which the contractor determined the
373 price on the change orders; (4) safety; (5) the quality of the contractor's
374 working relationship with the agency and the quality of the
375 contractor's supervision of the work area; (6) communication with the
376 agency; (7) the quality of the contractor's required documentation; (8)
377 the performance of the contractor's subcontractors, to the extent
378 known by the official who completes the evaluation; and (9) the
379 contractor's and any subcontractor's compliance with part III of
380 chapter 557, or chapter 558, or the provisions of the federal Davis-
381 Bacon Act, 40 USC, Sections 276a to 276a-5, inclusive, as from time to
382 time amended, to the extent known by the official who completes the
383 evaluation.

384 (b) Each public agency shall complete and submit the evaluation
385 form to the commissioner after completion of a building project under
386 the agency's control if the building project is funded, in whole or in
387 part, by state funds. The designated official from such agency shall

388 certify that the information contained in the evaluation form
389 represents, to the best of the certifying official's knowledge, a true and
390 accurate analysis of the contractor's performance record on the
391 contract. The commissioner shall include the evaluation in the
392 contractor's prequalification file. The official shall mail a copy of the
393 completed evaluation form to the contractor. Any contractor who
394 wishes to contest any information contained in the evaluation form
395 may submit a written response to the commissioner not later than
396 thirty days after the date the form was mailed as indicated by the
397 postmark on the envelope. Such response shall set forth any additional
398 information concerning the building project or the oversight of the
399 contract by the public agency that may be relevant in the evaluation of
400 the contractor's performance on the project. The commissioner shall
401 include any such response in the contractor's prequalification file.

402 (c) As used in this section, "public agency" means a public agency,
403 as defined in section 1-200, but does not include The University of
404 Connecticut with respect to any project, as defined in subdivision (16)
405 of section 10a-109c, that is undertaken and controlled by the
406 university, and "subcontractor" means a person who performs work
407 with a value in excess of twenty-five thousand dollars for a contractor
408 pursuant to a contract for work for the state or a municipality which is
409 estimated to cost more than five hundred thousand dollars.

410 (d) Upon fifty per cent completion of any building project under a
411 public agency's control, the agency shall advise the contractor in
412 writing of the agency's preliminary evaluation of the contractor's
413 performance on the project.

414 (e) No public agency, employee of a public agency or certifying
415 official of a public agency shall be held liable to any contractor for any
416 loss or injury sustained by such contractor as the result of the
417 completion of an evaluation form, as required by this section, unless
418 such agency, employee or official is found by a court of competent
419 jurisdiction to have acted in a wilful, wanton or reckless manner.

420 (f) Any public agency that fails to submit a completed evaluation
421 form, as required by this section, not later than seventy days after the
422 completion of a project, shall be ineligible for the receipt of any public
423 funds disbursed by the state for the purposes of the construction,
424 reconstruction, alteration, remodeling, repair or demolition of any
425 public building or any public works project.

426 Sec. 4. Section 6 of public act 03-215 is repealed and the following is
427 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2004*):

428 (a) Not later than January 1, [2004] 2006, and annually thereafter,
429 each awarding authority shall prepare a report on the status of (1) any
430 ongoing project for the construction, reconstruction, alteration,
431 remodeling, repair or demolition of any public building which is
432 estimated to cost more than five hundred thousand dollars and is paid
433 for, in whole or in part, with state funds, or (2) any property
434 management contract awarded by the Department of Public Works
435 which has an annual value of one hundred thousand dollars or more.
436 The awarding authority shall submit the report to the [Governor and
437 the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having
438 cognizance of matters relating to government administration and
439 finance, revenue and bonding] Department of Administrative Services.
440 The report shall be submitted in accordance with section 11-4a. The
441 first report submitted after a contract is awarded shall indicate: (A)
442 When, where and how the request for bids was advertised; (B) who
443 bid on the projects; (C) the provisions of law that governed the award
444 of the contract and if there were any deviations from standard
445 procedure in awarding the contract; (D) the names of the individuals
446 who had decision-making authority in awarding the contract,
447 including, but not limited to, the individuals who served on any award
448 panel; (E) if an award panel was used, whether the recommendation of
449 the panel was followed and, if applicable, the reason why such
450 recommendation was not followed; (F) whether the awarding
451 authority has any other contracts with the contractor who was
452 awarded the contract, and if so, the nature and value of the contract;

453 and (G) any provisions of law that authorized or funded the project.

454 (b) The University of Connecticut shall not be required to submit a
455 report pursuant to this section for any project, as defined in
456 subdivision (16) of section 10a-109c, that is undertaken and controlled
457 by the university.

458 (c) The Commissioner of Administrative Services may, within said
459 commissioner's discretion, grant no more than two sixty-day
460 extensions to any awarding authority for the submission of the report
461 described in this section.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2004</i>
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2004</i>
Sec. 3	<i>October 1, 2004</i>
Sec. 4	<i>October 1, 2004</i>

Statement of Purpose:

To enable the state construction contractor prequalification program to operate in a more practical and effective manner.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]